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In re Application of

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BAVARI et al.

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Washington, D. C.

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## **SUPLLEMENTAL RESPONSE**

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Sir:

Supplemental to the Response dated December 12, 2002, herewith submitted is the executed Declaration stating that the publication by Bavari et al. (Vaccine, November 1998, Vol. 16 No. 19, pages 1850-1856) published within one year of the filing date of the present application, is the inventors' own. As discussed in the Response of December 12, 2002, the signed Declaration is believed to remove this reference as prior art.

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Entry of the executed Declaration and this supplemental Response is respectfully requested. This application is believed to be in condition for allowance and notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully\_submitted,

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